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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Horst HINTZE-BRÜNING et al.

Serial No.: 09/762,030

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For: Film and the Use Thereof for Coating

Shaped Parts

Group Art Unit: 1774

Examiner: Lawrence D. Ferguson

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed on October 10, 2003, Applicants respond through their attorney as follows.

REMARKS

The claims pending in the subject application are 1-4, 6-11, 13-16, and 18. Reconsideration of this application based on the Remarks presented herein is respectfully requested.

The shortened statutory period for response expired on January 10, 2004. Accordingly, a Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time is attached hereto. The Director - U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account 23-3425 the necessary extension fees identified in the attached Petition and any other fees necessary for entry of this amendment.